

Monarchist Party Platform

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PREAMBLE

The Monarchist Party advocates absolutist monarchy over any democratic or constitutional system of government in its capacity to serve the people honestly and accountably. We call for recognition that the present-day United States is a failed, subverted venture—a sinking ship that threatens to take our people down with it. We propose absolutist monarchy not only as a realistic bid to prevent the United States from social and economic disintegration and to save all that is honorable and noble within our culture, but also as a long overdue fresh start in our continuing pursuit of a more united American Dream.

Monarchism is a governing ideology, not a political ideology. With that said, the Monarchist Party simultaneously proposes the immutable moral perspective of our founding membership, and our practical positions on important issues of state as must logically proceed from such perspective. In presenting these positions, it is our goal to gather conscientious citizen leaders worthy of the various noble offices of our emerging American Monarchy, and to prepare the American people for the tremendous responsibilities one day to be borne by all—crown and countrymen alike—in the healing of our nation.

We define citizenship by its duties. We define violence as lack of consent. We do not say that anyone has a 'right' to protection from violence. Rather we say that a citizen has a duty to never initiate violence upon others, and a duty to positively protect himself and others from initiated violence—using retaliatory force of arms if need be. The incentive to be a citizen of the American Monarchy is the privilege to live among fellow citizens who would readily place themselves in danger to defend you at any time, in exchange for your readiness to do the same for them.

A society of such citizens is a society founded on personal honor, a genuine American folk brought together by a common purpose: refusal to accept any initiation of violence on U.S. territory. From this follows the most pressing duty of the folk to reject democracy (which is violence against the minority by the majority), and to entrust a Monarch emerging from among the folk to rule with absolute authority in the best interest of fulfilling this purpose. It is the duty of the Monarch to revoke citizenship from anyone whom he deems hostile to this purpose. Conversely, should the Monarch himself prove hostile to this purpose, it is the duty of the folk to depose him and replace him with another Monarch deemed most likely to rule true.

The expected characteristics of such rule are as follows:

PRINCIPLES

SECTION 1: CROWN & COUNTRYMEN

1.1 Media

The Monarch will nationalize all mass media. Content will not be censored, but will be sorted into crown-endorsed and non-crown-endorsed outlets in order to provide clarity on the national direction. Commercial advertising will no longer appear unsolicited alongside media content, but will only be viewable on demand.

1.2 National Direction

The Monarch will grant all citizens the liberty to express any opinion they choose on any issue, and encourage regular feedback and constructive suggestions from citizens regarding his rule. Any polls conducted will be for survey only, and will never be interpreted as a vote that imposes obligations on the crown.

1.3 Secret Societies

The Monarch will outlaw all secret societies, defined as any group that practices nepotism or favoritism between members and hence subverts national institutions to special interests. Members of secret societies will have their citizenship revoked.

1.4 Religion

The Monarch will grant all citizens the liberty to practice any religion they choose, except those that promote ethnocentric membership or otherwise in-group/out-group ethical double-standards, which will be regarded as secret societies. The religious heritage of the American Monarchy will be recognized as principally the Nazarene Gospels, with Christic compassion as its supreme spiritual guide.

1.5 Civil Liberties

The Monarch aims at granting all citizens every possible liberty that does not compromise their duties of citizenship. The granting or withdrawal of any liberty will be announced publicly and apply to all citizens simultaneously, so that all citizens will have the same liberties at any one time, and be aware of what their liberties are. State laws will be standardized to uniform national laws, with the exception of laws relevant peculiarly to the physical geography of a particular state.

1.6 Privacy

The Monarch will collect no personal information from any citizen or from a third-party without the citizen's prior consent. The private behavior of citizens, defined as any aspect of behavior that does not overlap with their duties of citizenship, is of no concern to the crown. All surveillance systems installed on public property (e.g., streets, telephone lines) by the present-day U.S. government across the country will be abolished.

1.7 Discrimination

The Monarch opposes all discrimination (positive or negative) towards fellow citizens on the grounds of ethnic origin, gender, sexual orientation, age and disability. Individuals will be judged as individuals strictly by their merits relative to a given function, unless they voluntarily associate themselves with a group identity that excludes others based on any of the above grounds, in which case they will be regarded as members of a secret society.

1.8 Self-Defense

The Monarch will require every citizen to be equipped with at least one registered firearm and at least 1000 rounds of conventional ammunition in their home, for the purpose of exercising the duties of citizenship that include protecting oneself and others from violence and possible tyranny. Those who fail to keep such equipment may have their citizenship revoked at any time. Citizens will be encouraged to become proficient in the safe handling, maintenance and use of firearms from the youngest possible age. The Monarch will grant all citizens the liberty to purchase the full range of military-grade small arms and conventional ammunition, and openly carry them on their persons on public property.

1.9 Mandatory Military Service

The Monarch will demand from all male citizens (excluding special cases based on disability) one year of mandatory service in the armed forces, which may be served at any time between the ages of 18 and 30, during which they will not be deployed to foreign lands, waters or airspace.

1.10 Crime & Punishment

The Monarch defines crime as willfully initiated violence towards any sentient creature (non-human as well as human) or their property. It is the duty of all citizens to combat crime within the borders of the United States.

1.11 Dueling

The Monarch will grant all citizens the liberty to settle accusations of crime by officially refereed duel with swords or firearms. A champion may volunteer to duel in place of the challenged. Any accuser challenged to duel who refuses the challenge will have his accusations dismissed. Any accused challenged to duel who refuses the challenge implicitly pleads guilty to all accusations.

1.12 Incarceration & Rehabilitation

The Monarch will work to bring into being a civilization that does not rely on incarceration as a means to combat crime and seek to massively decrease the number of Americans imprisoned. The Monarch believes that nature, nurture, or both may be factors in criminal behavior. The duty of the Monarch and other nobles is to eliminate environments that would breed criminal activity—which is to say that they will improve education, teach good parenting skills to all citizens, strengthen the economy and uproot secret societies and organized crime. Where environmental conditions or upbringing are conclusively the principle factors in the development of the criminal, the Monarch will choose the most effective forms of rehabilitation that are known in the world and seek to rectify whatever environment formed a human being into a criminal. If nature is the principal factor, the person shall be incarcerated until such time that it can be safely determined that a repeat offense is highly unlikely. Repeat offenders shall be stripped of their citizenship. Prisons will not be owned or operated by any private entity. The Monarch will not imprison convicted criminals at the taxpayer's expense. Convicted criminals, if imprisoned, will be economically supported solely by their own labor and by any voluntary donations to prison facilities. The wages and earnings of prisoners shall be a reflection of what is earned in the outside world so that they may pay for their incarceration and be capable of reentering society should their incarceration end. However, criminals shall become the indentured servants of their victims for a time deemed reasonable to satisfy their victims. For example, where a man has unlawfully taken the life of a woman's husband, the criminal shall pay her an amount as close to the living salary of her husband—even if it is the whole of his imprisoned earnings (minus whatever is necessary to pay for his incarceration)—for the remainder of his years.

SECTION 2: ECONOMY

2.1 Labor & Quality Craftsmanship

The Monarch defines economic success not by size, variety of products, rate of growth or quantity of activity, but by sufficiency without excess, autonomy in essential products, independence from international influence and absence of wasted labor. All economic activity must involve labor (as opposed to speculation), and all labor must be justified by necessity. Products must be built to last, rather than invite their own replacement for the sake of sales (i.e., planned obsolescence). The purpose of business must be to satisfy (i.e., decrease) demand, not to stimulate (i.e., increase) demand.

2.2 Public Works Projects

The Monarch will guarantee immediate employment for all citizens seeking work and hence ensure all citizens will be able to earn a living wage and none will have to struggle with hunger, homelessness, or shortage in other necessities of life. This will be achieved by the crown creation of Public Works Projects that can provide work to an arbitrary number of people, and to which unemployed citizens can be automatically assigned if they are unable to find other work. Public Works Projects will focus on long-term (including aesthetic) infrastructure, municipal/community services and other non-purchase production that benefits the American people as a whole.

2.3 Crown-Issued Labor-Backed Currency

The Monarch will be the sole issuer of money for use within the United States, and will issue debt-free, inflation-free fiat currency backed by the real wealth generated in the United States from productive labor. The Federal Reserve and all other banks will be either nationalized or shut down.

2.4 U.S. Currency & Foreign Influence

The Monarch will prohibit foreign nationals from purchasing U.S. currency, and any U.S. currency in foreign hands will have zero value in purchasing U.S. products or services. If foreign countries or other entities can hold U.S. money, they can exert market forces on the United States (e.g., by hoarding large quantities and then using it to buy U.S. products at an arbitrary later time). This presents the ability of a foreign power to deprive the American people from supply and to unbalance demand. It introduces an undefined time-lag to the real trade of products, which reduces transparency and in effect allows for speculation. It is equivalent to an exchange of favors in which one side must specify the favor now but the other side is allowed to specify the favor later. Since the Monarch would not sign a contract where the other party is allowed to fill in their obligations after they sign, U.S. currency will have no value in the hands of foreigners.

2.5 Nationalization

The Monarch will own the entire wealth of the nation, thus rendering him immune to internal bribery.

2.6 Usury

The Monarch will outlaw usury, insurance and all financial strategies that enable earning money via possession/movement of money. Credit cards and other mechanisms that permit debt-based spending will be eliminated. All lending henceforth will be interest-free. Any citizens currently in debt will not be obliged to pay interest on that debt, and all prior interest paid will be deducted from the debt itself.

2.7 Leasing/Renting

The Monarch will grant all citizens the liberty to manage any real estate they freehold on behalf of the crown. Freeholding is a duty of citizenship that cannot be sold to or bought from others, but only exchanged for equivalent duty, therefore estate trade will occur via barter only. New rental contracts will be outlawed; those who currently inhabit or conduct business on rented estate will freehold that estate after having paid cumulative rent equivalent to the estate value at the time of contract. Thus estate lease and speculation (profit via possession) will be phased out.

2.8 Stock Exchange

The Monarch will require all shareholders to sell or barter all stock back to whatever companies they hold stock in. Alternatively, shareholder corporations can transform into limited partnerships, with shareholders becoming partners. Thus the stock exchange (profit via possession) and corporatism will be phased out.

2.9 Business Transparency

The Monarch will require that all companies and organizations have a single identifiable leader who possesses absolute power over the organization (notwithstanding the power of the Monarch, who will technically be the head of all U.S. companies and organizations) and who must accept complete responsibility for the organization in the absence of the Monarch, so that the entity is as transparent as the monarchy itself. Voting as a process to determine organization direction shall be made unlawful.

2.10 Taxes

The Monarch will abolish income tax and property tax for all individual citizens. With the phasing out of the issuance of money by a non-government agency (Federal Reserve), the Internal Revenue Service will eventually be shut down. The main source of crown income will be consumption and business taxes.

2.11 Government Spending Transparency

The Monarch will grant all citizens the liberty to inspect at any time all crown income and spending records. Details (e.g. covert operations budgets) may be withheld for practical reasons, but broad allocation of money will be transparent. Any change in rates of consumption taxes will be accompanied by prior public announcement by the crown regarding the rationale behind the change.

2.12 Welfare & Retirement

The Monarch will restrict welfare to orphans, the homeless, the genuine poor who are incapable of earning a living wage via Public Works Projects or other employment, and retirees. In-home medical and sundry assistance will be provided as an alternative to public retirement homes, in order to maximize the living choices of retirees. Any citizen taking care of a retiree at home, or any citizen who adopts an orphan, will receive a tax break.

2.13 Technology

The Monarch values technology according to its ability to simplify societal organization. Development of technologies which would reduce consumption and complexity (e.g., energy efficiency, automotive safety) will be promoted by the crown, while development of technologies which would increase consumption or complexity or attempts to render the human organism obsolete (e.g., transhumanism) will be discontinued.

2.14 Resources

The Monarch will strive to make the United States fully energy-independent (food and electricity) as quickly as possible. Solar and other non-fuel electricity sources will be the long-term plan, preceded by a transitional switch from foreign oil to domestic oil, with the aim to make the oil industry as clean as possible. Arable land currently used for production of animal feed will be switched wherever possible to production of crops for human consumption. Total energy demand will be steadily reduced so that the United States need never become dependent on foreign resources again.

2.15 Nuclear Power

The Monarch will dismantle all nuclear power plants over time.

2.16 Environment

The Monarch identifies consumption as the cause of environmental exploitation, and hence national reduction in consumption as essential to environmental policy in addition to technological measures for cleaner industrial processes. The aim is not merely sustainable consumption, but no more consumption than is necessary for a simple and wholesome lifestyle.

2.17 Consumer Waste

The Monarch will reduce consumption per consumer by shortening production process chains, localizing manufacturing and commerce thereby minimizing freightage, offering incentives for use of public transport over private fuel vehicles, abolishing artificial landscaping, and promoting a classic American culture opposed to materialism, luxury and waste.

2.18 Education

The Monarch will nationalize all private schools and integrate them into the public school system. All educational qualifications will be revalued. English will be declared the official language of the United States and the medium of instruction/assessment in all schools. Non-sectarian school-sponsored prayer will be reinstated. Classical, religious and citizenship studies will be promoted. In all areas of study, emphasis will be placed on heuristics, so that students cultivate independence, and so that talent can be distinguished from compensation by effort. Extra-curricular activities—especially encouraged for aspiring Knights (commissioned officers and warrant officers)—will emphasize student-initiated community and school improvement.

2.19 Historical & Scientific Revisionism

The Monarch will demand thorough academic revisionism in history, empirical sciences and assorted other subjects, the conclusions of which will be reflected in a revised school syllabus as well as disseminated through mass media.

2.20 Home Schooling

The Monarch will grant all citizens the liberty to study the same curriculum at home instead of attending public school if they choose.

2.21 Healthy Living

The Monarch will immediately outlaw vaccination, water fluoridation, chemtrail air poisoning, factory-bred animal products, toxic food additives, electronic devices that emit harmful radiation and all other forms of biological, chemical or radiological warfare waged upon the American people. The "War on Drugs" will be won overnight by shutting down the Central Intelligence Agency. Simple living will be encouraged as a means to health recovery and ultimately as a duty of citizenship.

2.22 Healthcare

The Monarch will nationalize the healthcare system. The flaws of allopathic medicine will be publicly exposed, and a new medical model will be developed with emphasis on metabolic and genetic health (i.e., empiric/holistic medicine). With the exception of post-trauma reconstructive surgery, all cosmetic surgery including genital mutilation (i.e., circumcision) will be outlawed.

2.23 Marijuana Legalization

The Monarch will legalize marijuana, stevia and any other harmless products currently banned by the present-day U.S. government.

2.24 Animal Testing

The Monarch will outlaw all animal testing in the United States and prohibit all foreign products that have been tested on animals from entering U.S. territory.

2.25 Food-Animal Treatment

The Monarch will require that all animal foodstuffs come from free-range or lawfully hunted animals.

2.26 Fur & Leather

The Monarch will forbid the sale of animal fur, although not the possession of fur. Fur, except whatever is acquired by the lawful hunting and skinning of an animal by a private citizen, shall be outlawed. Currently held stocks of animal fur will be sold or traded toward ending the fur trade. All leather must come from free-range or lawfully hunted animals, and suitable synthetic substitutes will be encouraged throughout the United States by the crown working to make compassionate alternatives more fashionable.

SECTION 3: DIPLOMACY

3.1 Respecting Sovereign Nations

The Monarch rejects U.S. military interference in the internal politics of foreign sovereignties, just as he would reject equivalent foreign military interference in U.S. internal politics. Rather, it is the duty of the United States as a member of the world community to set a positive cultural example that other countries would voluntarily wish to emulate. It is a duty of all citizens as ambassadors of the United States to be similarly honorable in all dealings with individual foreign nationals, never treating them as ethical lessers on account of their foreign nationality.

3.2 End of War Profiteering

The Monarch promises never to bring the United States into aggressive war with the motive of economic profit. Any entity that attempts or has previously attempted to entice the United States into war for profit will be automatically regarded as an enemy of the United States.

3.3 Restoring Sovereignty

The Monarch will restore independence to the Kingdom of Hawaii and the sovereignties of the American Indian nations.

3.4 National Redemption

The Monarch will make it the responsibility of the United States to clean up the depleted uranium strewn throughout Iraq and other lands by the current criminal republic of the United States, and provide supplies for rebuilding infrastructure in all foreign countries that the present-day U.S. government has invaded.

3.5 Foreign Debt

The Monarch promises to incur no new U.S. financial debt to any foreign country. Existing debts owed will be gradually repaid, but obligation to pay interest on such debt will not be recognized.

3.6 Dual Citizenship

The Monarch forbids a U.S. citizen from being a citizen of any other nation.

3.7 Immigration

The Monarch will immediately end all illegal immigration. Existing illegal immigrants will be allowed to choose between naturalization and repatriation.

3.8 Foreign Residency

The Monarch will not permit citizens to hold any foreign residency. All long-term domestic inhabitants who are eligible for long-term residency in a foreign country will be required to renounce this eligibility before their citizenship is recognized.

3.10 Foreign Owned Domestic Infrastructure

The Monarch will reacquire all foreign-owned domestic infrastructure, ideally in exchange for currently U.S.-owned foreign infrastructure. Thereafter, foreign nationals will be prohibited from purchasing U.S. property, and from transferring foreign property to U.S. ownership; conversely, citizens will be prohibited from purchasing foreign property, and from transferring U.S. property to foreign ownership. Foreign trade will be limited to exchange of products, and will occur via barter only.

3.11 Troop Withdrawal

The Monarch will unequivocally withdraw all U.S. troops from all non-U.S. territory and bring them home. The wars in Afghanistan, Iraq and Libya will be ended immediately. All U.S. military bases built in foreign countries (e.g. Germany, Italy, Turkey, Japan, South Korea, Philippines, etc.) will be dismantled and abandoned.

3.12 Border Protection

The Monarch will militarily secure all U.S. national borders. All attempts to enter the United States undetected, or to smuggle products into the United States undetected, will be regarded as hostile invasion and hence invite armed response. Refugees will be encouraged to announce their arrival so that they may receive registration and relief.

3.13 Nuclear Weapons

The Monarch will aim for global disarmament without sacrificing the principle of mutually assured destruction. A treaty will be proposed to stop production of new nuclear weapons around the world and to redistribute existing nuclear weapons through trade so that all sovereign nations who wish to be nuclear-armed will be nuclear-armed, only after which meaningful mutual disarmament agreements can realistically proceed. Parallel courses will be pursued for chemical and biological weapons, and ultimately for world population.

3.14 Robotic Warfare

The Monarch will oppose introduction into warfare of robotic or other remote troops which could permit aggressive invasion without direct risk to the lives of the invaders. Any foreign country that incorporates such units into its armed forces will be automatically regarded as an enemy of the United States.